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TO AMEMBASSY BUCHAREST IMMEDIATE

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BELGRADE FOR ANDREWS; PRAGUE FOR RICHMOND

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SUBJECT: US-GOR EXCHANGES AGREEMENT NEGOTIATIONS

REF: BUCHAREST 5455

1. THIS MESSAGE RESPONDS AND IS KEYED TO QUESTIONS POSED
REFTEL. SUGGEST THESE SUBJECTS ALSO BE REVIEWED WITH
RICHMOND AND ANDREWS ON THEIR ARRIVAL IN BUCHAREST.

2. PARA 1 DISCUSSED GOR DESIRE TO NEGOTIATE PROGRAM AND
IMPLEMENTING CONDITIONS FOR TWO, NOT ONE YEAR PERIOD.
DEPARTMENT SEES CONSIDERABLE BENEFIT IN ONE-YEAR TIME
FRAME, HOWEVER, BOTH BECAUSE OF USG

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BUDGETARY CYCLE AND BECAUSE OF THE PROGRAM FLEXIBILITY

ANNUAL REVIEWS PROVIDE. DEPARTMENT ACCEPTS EMBASSY FORMULATION PARA ONE BUT WISHES SUBSTITUTE WORD "TOWARD" FOR "AT" IN PHRASE "FOR 1975 TOWARD THE END OF THE CALENDAR YEAR."

3. PARA 2:

(A) DEPARTMENT CONCURS IN INCLUDING SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO LIBRARY AGREEMENT.

(B) PRESENT LENGTH OF IOWA INTERNATIONAL WRITING PROGRAM IS SIX AND ONE-HALF MONTHS. WE UNDERSTAND 1975 PROGRAM

WILL BE REDUCED TO FOUR AND ONE-HALF MONTHS.

(C) DEPARTMENT AGREES TO PROVISION FOR ENCOURAGING AND FACILITATING RECIPROCAL EXCHANGES OF POLITICAL LEADERS. HOWEVER, EMBASSY SHOULD KEEP IN MIND US CONSTITUTIONAL PROHIBITION AGAINST THE ACCEPTANCE BY US FEDERAL OFFICE HOLDERS OF EMOLUMENTS OF ANY KIND FROM FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS. EMBASSY IS ALREADY AWARE OF DIFFICULTIES DEPARTMENT CAN ENCOUNTER IN FINDING APPROPRIATE SPONSORS FOR POLITICAL LEADERS VISITING THE US, HENCE LANGUAGE RE THIS SUBJECT SHOULD BE FRAMED WITH THESE CONSIDERATIONS IN MIND.

(D) CONCUR IN RESERVATION OF "FINE ARTS SPECIALIST" PROVISION FOR NEGOTIATING PURPOSES.

(E) MENTION OF IREX AGREEMENT WITH ACADEMY OF SOCIAL AND POLITICAL SCIENCES WAS PURPOSEFULLY OMITTED BECAUSE THIS AGREEMENT HAS LAPSED. KISSINGER

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